

## JUST A MOMENT, PLEASE.

We wish to say to the people of Roanoke and vicinity that our entire stock of Dry Goods, Notions, Cloaks, etc., must be closed out by December 15, and to do this we are now selling regardless of cost.

We have not only a few special bargains, but we have

## Bargains in Dress Goods,

Bargains in cloaks, bargains in staple goods, and in fact everything we have at the prices at which we are now selling is a bargain. Many goods way below cost and nothing above cost.

## IN DRESS GOODS

We still have nearly everything desired. All wool silk wraps, 38-inch henriettes sold for \$1, at 80 cts; all wool silk finish, 46-inch henriettes, sold for \$1, at 80 cts; all wool 46-inch henrietta, sold for 85 cts, now 62 cts; all wool 38-inch henriettes, sold for 50 cts, now 37 cts; all wool 38-inch henriettes, sold for 37 cts, now 25 cts.

## IN CLOAKS

We have a full line of plush wraps, modjeskas, new markets, and jackets, and we can save you the profits other houses are making.

## IN STAPLE GOODS

WE HAVE

Fruit of the loom, bleach, 8 1/2 cts. Lonsdale, bleach, 8 1/2 cts. Lonsdale, cambric, 1 1/2 cts. Wamsutter, bleach, 11 cts. New York mills, 11 cts. Pride of the west, bleach, 12 1/2 cts. Morpott, 4-4 brown cotton, 6 1/2 cts. Dundee, 4-4 brown cotton, 6 cts. Mohawk valley, 10-4 bleached sheet for 24 cts, worth 30 cts. Utica, 10-4 bleached sheeting for 27 cts, worth 35 cts. Pepperell, 10-4 bleached sheeting, 22 1/2 cts. Clark's O. N. T. spool cotton, 4 cts. per spool, 43 cts. per dozen. It will pay you to examine our stock before purchasing.

WM. F. BAKER & CO.

134 Salem Avenue.

## CAUGHT IN THE ACT!

—TO—

And all the People are talking about it.

## COST FOR CASH

—AT—

GEORGE H. DAVIS & CO.

We wish to sell all that we can before

DECEMBER - 26TH,

On which day we will positively close and ship all goods unsold to Petersburg. So do not fail to

## COME AT ONCE

And get the greatest

## BARAINS

Ever offered in Roanoke at

GEO. H. DAVIS & CO.

44 Salem Avenue.

## FIRST BREAK — OF THE — SEASON!

WE have a line of Ladies' NEW MARKETS and JACKETS that we are offering at greatly reduced prices:

|                  | Former Prices. | Now.    |
|------------------|----------------|---------|
| 1 Lot Newmarkets | \$ 4.50        | \$ 3.25 |
| 1 " " "          | 5.50           | 4.00    |
| 1 " " "          | 8.00           | 6.00    |
| 1 " " "          | 10.50          | 8.00    |
| 1 " " "          | 14.00          | 10.00   |
| 1 Lot Jackets    | 2.50           | 1.75    |
| 1 " " "          | 4.00           | 2.75    |
| 1 " " "          | 4.50           | 3.50    |
| 1 " " "          | 5.50           | 4.00    |
| 1 " " "          | 6.50           | 4.50    |
| 1 " " "          | 7.50           | 5.00    |
| 1 " " "          | 8.00           | 6.00    |
| 1 " " "          | 9.00           | 7.00    |

## FULL LINE OF Plush Coats, Jackets, Modjeskas, and Jackets.

A new lot Children's and Misses' long Cloaks and Jackets, ranging from 4 to 16 years.

## —USEFUL—

## Holiday Presents!

Full assortment Silk Hankkerchiefs, Silk Mufflers, Fancy and Plain White Linen Hankkerchiefs.

LADIES' AND GENTLEMEN'S SILK UMBRELLAS.

Blankets, Comforts and Counterpanes, Lace Curtains and Pole.

## A WORD FROM OUR

## Millinery Department.

We have just replenished our stock of Wool and Fur Felt Hats and Turbines, Birds, Feathers, Plush and Silk Velvets, in all colors.

We haven't the space to enumerate our fine assortment of Dress Goods. All we ask is an inspection, and we guarantee to please you.

ROSENBAUM BROS.

42 Salem Avenue.

C MARKLEY'S

## Checked Front Grocery

—ON—

## SALEM AVENUE,

## MOOMAW BLOCK,

## Is well supplied with a full fresh and

varied stock of fancy and select

## GROCERIES

And all kinds of

## Fruit in Season.

## FRESH OYSTERS,

## DRESSED FOWLS

—AND—

## CELERY - ALSO.

## FEAST AND FAIR.

AN ENTERTAINMENT GIVEN BY THE LADIES.

## TABLES BEAUTIFULLY DECORATED.

Many Beautiful Articles for Sale—The Supper Table Burdened with Luxuries—The Corn Festival Tonight.

The ladies of the First Baptist church of this city had a beautiful night last evening upon which to inaugurate their bazaar in the hall of the skating rink. The attendance, notwithstanding the inviting condition of the weather, was not as large as it should have been, and as it doubtless will be tonight, when new and pleasing attractions will be presented.

The booths and tables were beautifully decorated, and were well supplied with a great variety of articles of vertu, and needle work, and of sweets in great abundance and of pleasing diversity.

The fruit table was charmingly presided over by Miss Filipo and Miss Fletcher, and Mrs. Gorman added grace to the beautiful arrangement of sweet breads upon the cake table.

The corn booth was in charge of Mrs. Filipo and Miss Stewart, and was handsomely and appropriately decorated. Here a variety of beautiful articles were offered for sale. This evening the corn festival will take place and every conceivable dainty that can be made of corn, with the exception of the juice, will be offered.

The lemonade well, in the centre of the hall, was beautifully decorated with evergreens and flowers, and was a fitting bower for Miss Anna Wortham, who charmingly dispensed the beverage to the visiting patrons.

The supper table, almost literally groaning beneath a mass of good things, was presided over by Miss Eckloff and Mr. Terrell, who impersonated the characters of Aunt Jerusha and Uncle Jonathan. Dinner will be served today between 12 and 2 o'clock. A large crowd should be in attendance tonight to participate in the unique attractions of the corn festival.

## HUSTINGS COURT.

Business Transacted There Yesterday.

In the case of Records & Goldsborough vs. T. B. Coleman, an action of assumpsit, judgment was rendered for plaintiff.

The case of Slater, Myers & Co. vs. L. P. Wilmett, an action of assumpsit, was dismissed.

In the case of I. Whitehill & Son vs. H. Adler, an action of assumpsit, judgment was rendered for plaintiff.

The case of the Central Park Land company vs. the Roanoke Street Railway company, an action for damages, was commenced and all the witnesses, (a large number) were examined. The instructions and arguments of counsel will occupy the attention of the court this morning. Following are the jurors in this case: J. N. Jordan, William Lind, Sr., C. E. Sweezy, F. M. Stanton, J. T. Ward, J. D. Coleman, E. A. McGeehee, W. A. Byrd, W. J. Allen, W. A. Burke, Nathan Chapman and Lucian McNamee.

John M. Hart, esq., qualified as an attorney at law.

## Bridgewater Carriage Company.

A meeting of the directors of the Bridgewater Carriage company was held yesterday evening at 4 o'clock in the office of Jas. S. Simmons & Co., at which the following members were present: P. S. Miller, T. T. Fishburne, Jas. S. Simmons, W. P. Moonaw, J. W. Coon and M. P. Fellers.

The board closed up the purchase of the lot on the corner of Robertson and Henry streets from Mr. Perry Williams, and let the contract for the erection of the buildings, which will be of brick, to C. C. Shockey & Co. The lot is 94x153 feet in dimensions, and as the building will be three stories in height and cover nearly all the space, some idea of their magnitude can be arrived at. Work on the buildings will be commenced at once.

## An Attractive Entertainment.

Miss Kate Castleton, supported by a strong company, appears at the opera house in "A Paper Doll" this evening and tomorrow evening. The play is a laughable comedy, full of delightful little topical songs that Kate Castleton alone knows how to sing, throwing into her rendition the charm of her beauty and the withery of her eyes. Speaking of the play and the players, the Memphis Appeal says: "A Paper Doll" proves to be a strong Christmas attraction, securing large and enthusiastic audiences nightly. It is a pleasing farcical eccentricity, containing considerable fun which creates a good deal of merriment. Miss Castleton has surrounded herself with a lot of clever people who render excellent support and add largely to the success of the extravaganza.

## Rats.

"Speaking of rats," said a railroad man yesterday, "all the numerous rodents which lately infested the depot have disappeared, and just now not one can be found anywhere about the building. One man caught 200 in the course of a few days last summer, but it didn't seem to lessen the number at all. Rats are migratory in their nature. Grub has probably become short about the depot, and they have concluded to migrate for a season to Hotel Roanoke, the Palace and to Felix hotel, neither of which is far away.

## Will Recover.

Ballard Huddleston, the young man who was so fearfully stabbed by Elijah Muse a week or more ago, near Cave Spring, has improved so much in the past few days that strong hopes are entertained of his recovery. The man Muse disappeared soon after the cutting and at present his whereabouts are unknown.

—Anna Kidd a notorious character, was fined \$20 by the mayor yesterday for being drunk on the streets, and in default of payment was sent to jail.

## VIRGINIA NEWS.

A Bland county democrat, aged 85, has just had his twenty-first son born to him. A republican of the same county says it is idle to talk of redeeming a state where Providence thus conspires to mock and discourage the republican party.

In the circuit court of Kanawha county, W. Va., Wednesday, Felix Kampf, on trial for killing his son and daughter in October last, was convicted of murder in the first degree, which is death penalty in that state.

At Charlottesville Wednesday, the jury in the case of F. C. Morgan, the young Englishman on trial for killing J. D. Coles, rendered a verdict of eighteen months in the penitentiary, and sentence was imposed.

Thomas Morrison, of Loudoun county, last week brought down with his rifle, at a distance of over 100 yards, a large bald eagle, which measured six feet eight inches from tip to tip.

A dispatch from Pocahontas Va., says: "At a Hungarian shanty Monday night a row took place. Shooting and fighting occurred, and Sergeant Rupert and Policeman Tinsley went to quiet the row. A fight ensued between the officers and the Hungarians, resulting in the shooting of two Hungarians seriously, and of Sergeant Rupert through the calf of the leg. A posse was organized and arrested two Hungarians, who are now in the calaboose."

Hou L. Bennett, of Weston, on Tuesday consummated the purchase of a 40,000 acre tract of land in Gilmer, Braxton and Calhoun counties, West Virginia, from R. H. Wallace, of Petersburg, Va. Two railroads are surveyed through the land. The consideration is unknown.

Mr. Holmes Rice, a prominent citizen of Farmville, was paralyzed Sunday evening while offering an earnest prayer in the Baptist church, and died the next day.

## A Mad Dog Shot.

Great excitement was occasioned on Tuesday afternoon by the appearance of a spotted dog, which came tearing down from Bunker hill, biting and snapping at everything in his path. A hue and cry was soon raised, and the dog was driven under the steps in front of Evans & Chalmers' hardware establishment. Officer Wright soon put in his appearance, and the steps having been removed, he ended the dog's life and the excitement by sending eight bullets into various portions of the canine's body. It is not known who owned the dog, nor is it known whether the animal bit any person in his mad career.

## A New Furnace at Bristol.

Bristol Goodson is to have a new enterprise in the near future. A Pennsylvania company has been chartered. The company is to be known as the Bristol Iron and Steel company, and is bound by said contract to begin work within six months, and to build the furnace within two miles of the Thomas house. The amount of stock paid is \$250,000, and the capacity is to be 150 tons of pig iron per day.—Bristol Courier.

## Thinks Roanoke a Business Place.

Captain S. L. Crute says in his recent travels in Southwest Virginia he saw no place that could compare with Roanoke. He has taken an inventory of stock for a number of persons who have started in business here in the past eighteen months, and every one is doing so well that their establishments could not be purchased for three times what they gave for them.

## PERSONAL POINTS.

### Comings and Goings of Persons We Know.

Mr. T. M. Barnes, of Rural Retreat, was in the city yesterday.

Col. J. R. Miller, of Pulaski, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. H. Levy, of Knoxville, was in the city yesterday prospecting.

Messrs. M. F. Campbell and John Swan, jr., of Ansonville, Pa., are in the city prospecting.

Captain George Eliason and wife, of Franklin county, are visiting relatives in Roanoke county.

C. S. Baker, esq., a prominent citizen of Staunton, was in the city yesterday.

Mr. A. J. Dull and son, J. J. Dull, two Harrisburg, Pa., capitalists, arrived in the city yesterday.

Mr. Francis E. Weston, of Uplands, Pa., secretary of the Crozer Steel company, was a guest at Hotel Roanoke yesterday.

Colonel J. B. Austin, ex president of the Roanoke Land Improvement company, but now a resident of London, was in the city yesterday.

Captain T. W. Spindle, of Christiansburg, was in the city yesterday, and made some extensive purchases in West End lots.

Mr. C. R. Johnson, baggage-master on the Shenandoah Valley railroad, between Roanoke and Hagerstown, arrived here yesterday, after a ten days' visit to his home in Philadelphia.

Mr. H. T. Osborne, agent for Charles A. Gardner, was in the city yesterday. Mr. Gardner and his company will appear in "The Fatherland" at the opera house on the evening of the 17th instant.

Mr. J. M. Maupin will deliver an address at the Young Men's Christian association hall next Sunday evening at 4 o'clock, on "Temperance," to which the public is invited.

—A marriage license was issued yesterday by the clerk of the hustings court to John Myers and Melissa Brown, colored.

—Brisa Arrington, colored, has been summoned to appear before the mayor this morning to show cause why he should not be punished for keeping a disorderly house on Bunker Hill.

A street car on the Third Avenue line became entangled in a fallen wire of the Harlem Electric Light company, on One-Hundredth and Seventh street, Wednesday, and the driver received so severe a shock that he was taken to a hospital.

## RAPID GROWTH.

INCREASE OF ROANOKE'S POPULATION.

## WHAT A FREIGHT AGENT SAYS.

A Steady Increase of Population. Families Coming in Every Day. What the Roanoke and Southern Railroad Will Do.

The growth of this city has been a wonder for years, not only to the world outside, but to its own people. When the first rush of population occurred after the completion of the Shenandoah Valley railroad, croakers shook their heads mournfully when some over-sanguine person predicted that the number of inhabitants would reach 3,000.

When it was suggested that lots on Salem Avenue and Jefferson would bring \$50 a front foot, these same wisecracks would smile scornfully and suggest that it might yet be a modern Pittsburgh. In spite of such discouragements, however, in spite of cold water at home and jealousy and misrepresentation abroad the people kept on coming until the 3,000 limit was reached and the 5,000 one was passed.

Even then there were many here who were sure that the last number was an exaggeration, and if the truth was known there were not over 4,000 people in the city.

When the Roanoke DAILY TIMES was started November 30th 1886, it was estimated that the population of the city numbered between 7,000 and 8,000, and business was rather dull than otherwise.

A visit to the freight office showed that the receipts of furniture and household goods there were about equal to the shipments. In other words, that the population of the place, like the business, was comparatively at a standstill. Under the stimulus of a daily newspaper thoroughly identified with the best interests of this city and section, a change for the better was soon apparent, and by the first of February following, a new wave of prosperity had set in, which with a few slight intermissions, has increased in volume, as the years go by, until the population of the city numbers 17,000. The voices of the croakers have ceased to be heard, and jealousy and envy of neighbors has given place to respect and admiration, and everybody believes when the Roanoke and Southern railroad is completed that there will be a population of 30,000 here to celebrate the arrival of the first through train from Winston, N. C.

A TIMES reporter, while on his round yesterday in order to consult the railroad as the barometer of population, called on Freight Agent Wade to ascertain how fast furniture was coming into the city from abroad.

He said the arrivals of household goods just now would average about one family a day. Some sixty days ago the average was about three a day, and at one time people seemed for a month or so to be moving away as fast as they came in. There has, in the long run, however, been a constant and steady increase of population, and at this time there are five arrivals to one departure.

The great majority of those who come here are Virginians, and many of them are working people. A good many come from the north, especially from Pennsylvania. There are a number of arrivals also from Maryland and North Carolina, and occasionally from Tennessee and Kentucky.

Of the Virginians the immigration is mainly east and north of this city, a large number being from Tidewater and from the valley. Many come in from the adjoining counties by private conveyances and of these no account can be taken.

Most likely, when we come to figures, the population of this city is made up as much, if not more, of people who have lived within forty miles from here than of people who have resided at a greater distance.

Altogether Roanoke owes a good deal of its push and energy to the influx of northern people. A Virginian is a hard man to beat at anything, and when he sees his northern neighbors rushing away he joins in the procession with an equal vim, and if they do not watch him very close his natural ambition will put him at the head of it. This, really, is one of the great secrets of Roanoke's growth and prosperity. The Virginians have fully imbibed the energy and progressiveness of the northern immigrant, and on all sides the most cosmopolitan spirit is manifested. The Englishman, the Irishman, the German, the Frenchman, and even the Chinaman, all feel at home and have a common pride in the future of the city.

## A Heavy Loss Sustained by the Wife of the Exiled Ruler of Brazil.

By Associated Press. LISBON, December 12.—The express of Brazil has received a telegram from Rio Janeiro informing her that all her jewels have been stolen and the police are investigating the cause. This loss will be a heavy blow to the imperial family. In the collection of jewels were comprised the finest Brazilian diamonds that are in the world. If the Brazilian republic should decline to continue Pedro's income, the loss of these treasures will be severely felt, as they were looked upon as the chief immediate resource of the family.

## Archbishop Walsh's Advice to a League.

By Associated Press. DUBLIN, December 12.—Archbishop Walsh addressed a meeting of the Tenants' league in the rotunda yesterday. The mayor of Dublin presided over the meeting, supported by Mr. Shaw Lefevre and others. The archbishop warned his hearers against the proposed land purchase scheme or extension of Lord Ashbourne's act, which would give tenants no guarantee whatever against wholesale extortion. The state, he said, would take good care of the landlords. The league must guard the interests of tenants.

—J. H. Larry was fined \$5 by the mayor yesterday for being drunk and disorderly.

## WASHINGTON GOSSIP.

### Meeting of Governors—Appointment of Negroes to Postoffices.

WASHINGTON, December 11.—Governor Lee, of Virginia, who arrived here yesterday evening to attend the meeting of the governors of the several states held for the purpose of promoting a congressional appropriation for a monument to the signers of the declaration of independence, is still here, and was on the floor of the house today with the other governors, to witness the ceremonies attending the commemoration of the first inauguration of George Washington. The governor attracted more attention than any other stranger on the floor. Governor Lee says he and Governor Jackson, of Maryland, who also here, have practically agreed upon a settlement of the Hog Island oyster bed affair. There seems to be, he says, no doubt of reaching a satisfactory arrangement of all the matters in dispute. Attorneys-General Ayers, of Virginia, and Whyte, of Maryland, are now engaged in examining maps, charts, and other papers relating to the subject, and the two governors will meet again this afternoon.

Quite a number of people, among them Senator Reagan, who was postmaster general of the Confederate States, Senators Walthall and George, of Mississippi, General Lee and some other members of the house, Colonel L. Q. Washington, and other well-known ex-confederates, and some ladies, the latter wearing mourning badges, went from here to Alexandria today under the impression that services in commemoration of the death and burial of the ex president of the Confederate States of America would be held there.

If the bill Mr. Morrill has introduced in the Senate shall become a law, the large and unsightly naval monument that now stands at the foot of the capital and obstructs the view thereof will be removed to the northwest part of the city, and be replaced by a handsome and graceful and unobtrusive statue of Columbus.

Postmaster General Wanamaker appoints all the objectionable and incompetent negro applicants for southern postoffices, to positions as clerks and messengers in the postoffice department. The result is that that department is now not a very attractive place.

Among the bills recently introduced in the senate by Senator Daniel are the following: For refunding to Virginia the money she advanced the federal government with which to erect public buildings at Washington and for the war of 1812; for the relief of Mr. A. Shiner, of Texas, appointed postmaster, vice Belle Lee Lynn, removed; Minerva, Carroll county, J. R. Harris, vice Susan Harris, resigned; Potts' Creek, Alleghany county, A. S. Given, vice A. Given, removed.—Cor. Alexandria Gazette.

The following changes in the fourth class postoffices in Virginia were made today: Lansdowne, Prince William county, Belle L. Parkins, appointed postmaster, vice Belle Lee Lynn, removed; Minerva, Carroll county, J. R. Harris, vice Susan Harris, resigned; Potts' Creek, Alleghany county, A. S. Given, vice A. Given, removed.—Cor. Alexandria Gazette.

## ELEVEN MEN LYNCHED.

### A Desperate Gang of Thieves Broken Up.

By Associated Press. ST. LOUIS, December 12.—A special to the Republic from Cheyenne, Wyoming, says: A report comes from the north to the effect that the people of Big Horn Basin, Johnson county, have broken up Kettle Jack's gang of thieves and cut-throats by lynching eleven of them and driving the remainder out of the country. Kettle Jack and his companions arrived in that region a year ago, and have since lived like barbarians. After being reinforced by a number of desperate characters they began to plunder the settlers. At first they only slaughtered beef and stole food, but growing bolder, they commenced to run horses into Utah and Montana. Farmer Jones and his two grown sons pursued the gang and made a fight for some of their stolen property, but were overpowered. Finally the people living in the Basin, some 500 in number, lived in mortal terror of Kettle Jack's band. Jack made a captive of and forced into marriage the daughter of a leading citizen. The father headed a rescuing party, but the rescuers were defeated with a loss of two killed and six wounded. Jack grew bolder and the citizens determined to wipe out the outlaws. They succeeded in storming the camp of the desperadoes, and the lynching followed.

### Storm in Western Pennsylvania.

By Associated Press. PITTSBURGH, December 12.—The most destructive wind and rain storm that has ever visited the western portion of Westmoreland county passed over the new city of Jeannette about 2 o'clock this morning. Houses were blown down and unroofed, and trees torn up by the roots and carried a long distance. Two large three-story frame buildings, owned by Messrs. Cort & Sullivan, on Clay Avenue, were completely demolished, and a smaller building, owned by William Wilson, was blown down and reduced to splinters. A number of dwellings were moved from their foundations and in some instances badly damaged. The loss will be at least \$10,000.

### Premature Explosion at Columbia.

By Associated Press. COLUMBIA, S. C., December 12.—By the premature explosion of a cannon while firing funeral guns, today, G. W. Fouché was badly burned. He will probably lose his eyesight. B. W. Blanton had a hand shattered, his arm lacerated, and was otherwise wounded. Several others were slightly injured. The cannon was that used in firing the salute when South Carolina seceded from the Union. It was fished out of the river some years ago, where it had been thrown when Sherman's army was about to enter the city.

### Helping His Men to Secure Homes.

By Associated Press. BERLIN, December 12.—Frederick Krupp, the head of the great metal and gun foundry, has established a fund of \$100,000 to enable his employees to build their own houses.

## OVER THE WIRES

ITEMS FROM ALL POINTS OF THE COMPASS.

## A MASS-MEETING OF VETERANS.

Memorial Services to Jefferson Davis. A Fund Pledged for the Support of His Family—A Monument to His Memory.

By Associated Press.

NEW ORLEANS, La., December 12.—A mass-meeting of confederate veterans was held last night,